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RUMANIANS TRAPPED, TWO ARMIES ARE BADLY CUT UP

CANNING MERGER IS STILL AFTER HAW. PINEAPPLE?

Reports Say New Corporation Has Not Abandoned Hope of Local Concern

STOCK RISES AND IS ABOVE FORMER FIGURES

One Closely Connected With Company Says Directors Would Not Consider Plan

Rumors continue to be heard that Hawaiian Pineapple Company may be secured by the big canning merger recently perfected on the Pacific coast and which includes the Pineapple Preserving Company of this territory as a subsidiary of one of its companies which went to make up the new corporation. These rumors are receiving credence in some circles here and the strength of Pineapple stock on the local exchange is credited to such reports by some of these people.

Before the organization of the new big canning corporation in California it was reported on the mainland the Hawaiian Pineapple Company was to be included. Manager Dole at that time refused to confirm or deny the report. Later the merger was formed without including Hawaiian Pineapple Company, the new company was incorporated, its stock distributed, and it is now regularly selling in the San Francisco market.

But despite the apparent end of the matter through the formation of the company came new rumors, this time to the effect that the big company is still seeking Hawaiian companies or at least one Hawaii company, if it can be secured at the price desired. This price the reports do not mention. It is said that James D. Dole does not deny having heard such reports. On the other hand a man prominently connected with the local company said that it is not considering entering the merger, that its directors are well satisfied with the way things are going under present arrangements and cannot see where any benefit to stockholders here would result.

Original reports from the coast, which included Hawaiian Pineapple in the original merger as proposed, placed the price at which the stock was to be taken at \$50 and the stock is now quoted on the local exchange at \$52 to \$55.

Whether negotiations are under way with some of the larger shareholders for their interest has not been learned nor is it possible to determine whether purchases in the market were made for merger interests. The capital of the company is \$700,000 and at present market quotations it would require \$1,500,000 to acquire all of the stock.

NELSON K. KALOIA SAYS GUILTY OF EMBEZZLEMENT

Former Postmaster at Pauwela, Maui, Sentenced Monday; Shortage is \$817.20

Nelson K. Kaloia, former postmaster at Pauwela, Maui, pleaded guilty in the federal court today to an indictment charging him with having converted to his use certain postal funds amounting to \$817.20. He appeared in court without an attorney, saying that he desired to plead guilty and that he was ready to be sentenced.

Federal Judge Horace W. Vaughan will sentence the defendant at 10 o'clock next Monday morning. The indictment alleges that the embezzlement of the postal funds occurred on September 30, this year. The case was first brought to the attention of the federal authorities following a personal investigation by Postoffice Inspector Thomas J. Flavin. Kaloia is said to have recently confessed the misappropriation to the U. S. attorney, saying that he used some of the money himself and loaned the rest to his friends.

DR. AND MRS. JUDD LANDED SAFELY IN U. S.

Dr. J. R. Judd and Mrs. Judd, on their way home from the French battle-front, landed in New York today. Their arrival removed some worry from the minds of relatives and friends, who had been all the more anxious since the French liner Lafayette, on which the surgeon and his wife took passage, was a day overdue. It is considered probable that the Lafayette went out of the customary steamer paths and chanced her steaming time to avoid possibility of meeting the German submarine U-53 or the other submarines operating off the Atlantic coast. The two words by wireless to A. F. Judd, "Landed, Judd," came as a relief.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

Following are the closing prices of stocks on the New York market today, sent by the Associated Press over the Federal Wireless:

	Today	Saturday
Alaska Gold	117 1/2	117 1/2
American Smelter	109 3/4	105 3/4
American Sugar Rfg.	116	114 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	133 1/4	132 1/2
Anacostia Copper	93 1/4	91
Atchafalpa	106 1/4	106 1/4
Baldwin Loco.	84 3/4	79 3/4
Baltimore & Ohio	87 3/4	86 3/4
Bethlehem Steel	54 1/2	53 1/2
Calif. Petroleum	23	22
Canadian Pacific	175 1/2	175 1/2
C. & M. & St. P. (St. Paul)	95 1/4	95
Colo. Fuel & Iron	52 3/4	50 1/2
Crucible Steel	85 3/4	79 3/4
Erie Common	38 3/4	37 3/4
General Electric	177 1/2	176
General Motors	118 1/2	118
Great Northern Pfd.	118 1/2	118
Inter. Harv. N. J.	115 1/2	115 1/2
Kennecott Copper	82 1/2	81 1/2
Lehigh R. R.	108 3/4	107 3/4
New York Central	57 3/4	57 3/4
Pennsylvania	25 1/2	25
Ray Consol.	101	100 1/2
Southern Pacific	132 1/2	129 1/2
Studebaker	22 1/2	22 1/2
Tennessee Copper	22 1/2	22 1/2
Texas Oil	22 1/2	22 1/2
Union Pacific	149	148 1/2
U. S. Steel	112 1/2	108 1/2
U. S. Steel Pfd.	120	120
Utah	94	92 1/2
Western Union	101 1/2	100 1/2
Westinghouse	62 3/4	60 1/2

PLEA OF DR. K. F. LI TO BE TAKEN FIRST OF WEEK

Local Chinese Physician is Charged With Violation of Harrison Narcotic Act

Charged on four counts with having violated the Harrison narcotic act, Dr. K. F. Li, local Chinese physician, declared by federal revenue officials to be the originator and dispenser of a so-called "rational cure" for the opium habit, was arraigned in federal court today before Judge Horace W. Vaughan. He was represented by the law firm of Thompson, Milverton & Cathcart. The case was continued until 9 o'clock next Monday morning for plea.

In one of the counts in the indictment it is alleged that Dr. Li sold narcotics to one Lena Carr; that she was his patient and that he failed to make a proper record of such alleged sales. It is further alleged that on or about May 15, and on other days after March 1, he sold opium, cocaine and other narcotics. Dr. Li is out on bond. At the preliminary hearing of the case before Commissioner George S. Curry, one of the witnesses, who admitted he was addicted to the opium habit, testified that while he was taking Dr. Li's alleged "rational cure" he was able to go without his smokes of the poppy drug. But, he added, after the medicine was gone he was forced to return to the pipe.

REPORT ON NEW IMPROVEMENTS NOW MADE READY

A report on a new improvement district to include the whole of Park and Fruit streets and a portion of Laimi street will be presented to the board of supervisors Tuesday evening for approval by Supervisor Arnold, chairman of the road committee.

George Collins, city engineer, has just completed the report and the outline is similar to the other districts. These three streets lead off from Nuuanu avenue near the Country Club and are said to be in bad shape.

BODY OF DROWNED PORTUGUESE BOY IS WASHED UP ON BEACH

Deputy Sheriff Asch was called to Kalihii this morning to take charge of the body of Henry Rapoza, a Portuguese boy, who had been found drowned this morning on the Kalihii harbor beach. Rapoza lives near the Kalihii receiving station and went out alone Sunday in a rowboat to fish. Sunday night the boat drifted back to shore, unoccupied, and friends who feared he had been drowned reported the matter to the police. The victim was about 18 years old. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

HILO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SAYS TREATED BADLY

Complains That Hawaii Publicity Man is Not Allowed to Board Ships

NORTON SAYS MATTER IN ABEYANCE STILL

Big Islanders Object to Their Representative Being Classed as a Hotel Runner

"Boarding steamers is a matter of privilege as I understand it," said L. W. de Vis-Norton, Honolulu representative of the Hawaii Publicity Commission, today when asked regarding the controversy between the Hawaii Publicity Commission and Malcolm Franklin, collector of customs, who appears that no one is allowed on incoming vessels until the custom lines are removed, excepting newspaper men and representatives of the Hawaii Promotion Committee. The Hawaii Publicity Commission when it applied for the privilege stated that it carried out exactly the same kind of business as the Hawaii Promotion Committee.

"The Hawaii Publicity Commission was refused the privilege for reasons based upon arguments which the Hawaii Publicity Commission holds are not correct. The matter is still in abeyance. Regarding the regulation prohibiting any persons from passing the custom lines, this rule is not strictly enforced by the custom officials."

"The rumor that I was a runner for hotels when acting in the capacity of a representative of the Hawaii Publicity Commission is untrue. The Hawaii Publicity Commission is an official body appointed by the 'Hilo Board of Trade, exactly the same as the Hawaii Promotion Committee, is appointed by the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce."

"The chairman of the committee has been appointed by the governor as a representative of the island of Hawaii on the Hawaii Promotion Committee."

The foregoing interview was given

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MYSTERY VEILS EXPLOSION ON MAINE COAST

Hidden Storehouse of Explosives Blows Up and Country Shaken for Miles

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
EAST MACHIAS, Me., Oct. 16.—This city and all the neighborhood was rocked as if by an earthquake from a violent explosion Saturday afternoon. The cause of the crash which sent its tremors throughout the countryside for many miles around, could not be determined for some time. Yesterday it was learned, after a careful investigation, that an old building, which for many years had been vacant, had been wrecked and a closer search revealed the fact that it has been used recently as a storehouse for high explosives, gasoline and supplies of various kinds.

Mysterious Ship Seen
Saturday morning, shortly before the explosion took place, a vessel of unknown ownership is reported to have gone up the river that flows by East Machias, to the head of navigation, near where the ruined house stood. She was seen by several people of the town, but none of them have been able to identify her.

KUHIO SPEAKING ON BIG ISLAND; TO VISIT MAUI

Prince Kuhio, Hawaii's delegate to Congress, is campaigning on the island of Hawaii this week. He went there a week before the primary election and is covering a large part of the Big Island. He will stop at Maui on his way to Honolulu the latter part of next week and make several speeches to the Valley Islanders. Then he will come to Honolulu and devote the rest of the campaign to the local situation. According to present plans he will not visit Kauai. The Garden Island will turn in a big majority for him anyway, it is anticipated.

Next Cuban Crop Is Estimated at 3,700,000 Tons

Alexander & Baldwin this morning received from its New York house the following week-end cable letter on the sugar market:

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Sales for the week were 215,000 bags of Cuban, 10,000 bags Porto Rico and 7,000 tons of Philippines. Offers are light, October at 6.27, with refiners' ideas at 6.15. No centrals are now grinding in Cuba. Estimate of the present Cuban crop is 3,367,419 tons and that of the next crop is that it will be probably 10 per cent larger.

RUMOR OF MASS MEETING HEARD IN CITY TODAY

Gathering Said to Be Planned for Saturday; Strikers Are Working at Other Jobs

About the only new development today in the stevedores' strike is a rumor which circulated this morning quite persistently that a mass-meeting of strikers is to be held Saturday next in Ala park, with delegates present from the other islands to address the strikers.

Mayor John C. Lane was among those who heard the rumor. Union officials said they had heard it as well, but did not know whether any such meeting would be held. They said no official action toward setting the date had been taken and that the move seems to be in a tentative stage as yet.

Everything was quiet today along the waterfront as concerns picketing or violence, and very few strikers were seen except a handful in front of the Sailors' Union headquarters, and they were not making any noise. Strikers Have \$3 Jobs

Union officials said the strike status is unchanged and added that 150 strikers are now being employed on construction work in the city and vicinity, but not on the waterfront and that they are getting \$3 for an eight-hour day. "Everything they earn except what they actually need to support their families they give to the union soup-kettle," remarked one of the union men this morning. Other union men, according to union leaders, are earning \$2 a day and giving most of it to the union's relief fund. Plenty of Strike-breakers

McCabe, Hamilton & Renny said this morning they have 200 men at work loading the Matsonia and discharging the Honolulu freight she overhauled to Hilo, not having time to discharge it all before she left for the Second City. Four gangs loaded pines, two loaded sugar from scows alongside, and two discharged cargo. The stevedoring firm asserted it had enough men on hand this morning to have worked three steamers full-handed and that hundreds of strike-breakers were turned away because there was only the Matsonia to be worked.

Work For 200 Tomorrow
When the Oceanic steamer Ventura arrives tomorrow there will be work for 175 or 200 stevedores, as she has 1500 tons of cargo to load here for San Francisco, mainly sugar and canned pines. The China Mail steamer China arrives in the morning, but has only a handful of freight to put off and take on. She will need only a few men. The Matson steamer Lurline, arriving Wednesday, will need several hundred.

Consul Moroi May Help
In its issue of Sunday the Hawaii Shinto, in commenting editorially on the strike situation says that 31 Japanese stevedores who joined the union recently after leaving the independent gang, are not entirely the enemy of non-union men.

They were all working together in harmony, the Shinto asserts, under Mizusaki, with other Japanese stevedores, but were misunderstood by the Japanese luna for strikers while staying away from work because threatened by the unionists. They have been independent stevedores for years. "A few days ago they were requested by Luna Mizusaki to return to their old gang, but they are hesitating about doing so," says the Japanese paper. "If there is some responsible party who can go between the Japanese stevedores of both sides to make peace the misunderstandings may easily be cleared up and a compromise reached."

GERMAN OFFICIAL REPORT ASSERTS ALLIES CHECKED

Offensives on All Fronts Now Stopped, Declares Headquarters Statement

RUMANIANS THRUST BACK TO THEIR OWN FRONTIER

Battle for Lemberg Has Apparently Not Won Russians Much Ground

GERMAN HEADQUARTERS REPORT, Oct. 14.—In the western war theater, on the north part of the front, the English continued as on the preceding days with lively reconnoitering activity. The Somme battle continues. There was a repetition today of the hostile attacks north of the Somme on a large front, and as on October 12 it failed under our curtain fire.

Between Ancre and Morval there was only one strong partial attack near Guedecourt completely developed, but it was defeated. Attacks were launched from the line of Morval to Bouchavesnes and resulted in much hand-to-hand fighting in which the French infantry was very severely defeated. The troops of Gen. von Boehn and von Garnier fully held their positions.

On the line of St. Pierre Vaast wood the advantages gained by the French in former attacks were lost, and seven officers, 227 men and several machine guns brought in. The fusilier regiment and the 36th Infantry regiment, 48th division, of Maj. Gen. von Dresler and 'Scharfstein fought with special distinction.

South of the Somme fighting in Abailcourt was revived with success for us. Parts of Saxon regiments in a bold raid regained the east part of Ambes wood. North of Chaupines they imprisoned six officers and 408 men. In the Meuse section the artillery activity temporarily increased to a violent pitch. East of the Meuse there were isolated hand-grenade engagements without importance.

In the eastern war theater on many places on the Luck front there have been lively fights today.

In the Transylvania arena the pursuit of the Rumanians on the east frontier is making good progress. On one line the enemy has yielded. The frontier passes have yielded gains for our troops, the Rumanians losing 292 men, among whom were eight officers. Six machine guns were taken. West of Vulkan pass hostile attacks were repulsed by a counter thrust. In one place the enemy gained a footing on a line of ridge.

In the Balkan arena nothing of importance has happened on Gen. von Mackensen's front, nor on the Macedonian front. Serbian attacks have been renewed on the Czerna bend.

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MEXICO ASSURES U. S. VILLA WILL BE HUNTED HARD

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 16.—Commissioner Cabrera of the Mexican-American joint commission, presented to the American commissioners today a statement from Senor Arrendondo, Mexican charge d'affaires at Washington, containing assurances that Mexico has planned an active campaign against Gen. Villa.

FAMOUS FIGURE OF PRIZE RING HAS PASSED ON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 16.—"Billy" Jordan, the veteran fight announcer, whose booming voice has been heard at boxing matches for many years, died today at the Old Soldiers' Home at Yontville.

LABOR TROUBLES IN SAN FRANCISCO ARE CLEARED; WORK RESUMED

TRANSYLVANIA NOW ALMOST CLEARED OF INVADERS; NEW ALLIED OFFENSIVE IS BEGUN

BALKANS AGAIN SCENE OF WAR DEVELOPMENT, WITH SOUTHERN SERBIA THE CENTER—VENIZELLOS REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT ON GREEK ISLAND OF CRETE IS RECOGNIZED BY THE ENTENTE POWERS—STRANGE ILLNESS IN GERMANY

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)

BERLIN, Germany, Oct. 16.—Trapped by the enveloping movements of Gen. von Falkenhayn's troops operating in Transylvania, two Rumanian armies of invasion have been badly cut up and one of them virtually wiped out.

Fighting in the Transylvania arena has been of a ferocity and bloodiness excelled by nothing in the entire European conflict. The battles of Hermannstadt and Kronstadt, both claimed as German victories, have been followed by pitiless hunting-down of the stragglers, and small detachments, cut off from the main body, have been wiped out.

The Overseas News Agency today has a despatch that the Rumanian second army, retreating toward the frontier after a disastrous battle with the Austro-German troops, has lost approximately two divisions.

The Rumanian first army, which led the invasion and bore the brunt of the determined Teuton defense, has been virtually annihilated, and the second army has lost the major part of its troops, the despatch says.

Transylvania is now clear of Rumanians, a month after they poured through the passes by the thousands. Except for small sections near the border, where they have thrown up entrenchments and still hold out, the country has been all cleared out and they have straggled back through the mountain passes.

The Rumanians are making a determined stand on the other side—the Danube frontier. Here they have occupied the village of Rucaru, seven miles south of the border, and are holding it. Meanwhile the Teutons, after successful operations in the Dobruja district, are aiming a thrust in the direction of Bucharest.

"Tin Sickness" in German Nation Seriously Alarming, Say Travellers

LONDON, Eng., Oct. 16.—An Amsterdam despatch says the travelers returned from the Central Powers report that a remarkable disease is spreading in Berlin, Hamburg, Munich and other large cities as a result of the population continually eating preserved foods. The disease has been called "tin sickness." It is rumored that there are thousands of cases of this ailment and the public authorities are much concerned at the evidence of its character.

Greek Revolutionary Government Formally Recognized by Allies

LONDON, Eng., Oct. 16.—The Entente Allies have formally recognized the provisional government in Greece, set up by the war party. The government has been formally organized on the island of Crete, having been started by Venizelos.

Allies Resume Offensive in Serbia

LONDON, Eng., Oct. 16.—In the Balkan arena today the Entente Allies have resumed their offensive south of Monastir, southern Serbia. Sofia reports officially that the Bulgarians have frustrated attacks west of Monastir, along the line of the railway to Florina. Along the Struma river the British outposts have made progress toward Demir-Hissar. British patrols have entered the town of Bistritsa.

Germans Regain Ground British Took

BERLIN, Germany, Oct. 16.—The British today attacked German positions northeast of Guedecourt. Three miles south of Baupanne the British succeeded in penetrating the German first line but the Germans counter-attacked and regained the ground.

Many Allies' Planes Are Shot Down

BERLIN, Germany, Oct. 16.—The Overseas News Agency says that in the month of September 21 French and 53 British aeroplanes were shot down by the Germans, either in air combats or with anti-aircraft guns.

German Attack on West is Repulsed

LONDON, Eng., Oct. 16.—The Germans today attacked newly won British positions in the vicinity of Schwaben, on the west front. They were repulsed with heavy losses.

French Take Positions Near Sailly

LONDON, Eng., Oct. 16.—Continuing their attack on the west front, the French have penetrated German positions at Sailly and Saillies. The Germans made counter-attacks but the French fighting is progressing.

BOARD OF INSPECTORS, HAWAII PRISONS, NAMED
Governor Pinkham today appointed three men to serve on the board of prison inspectors of the third district, as follows: L. S. Amos, Honolulu; Kona, Hawaii; S. P. W. of Mahukona, Hawaii, and James Monsarrat of Kapapala ranch.